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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1451

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Ammiano**

February 27, 2009

An act to amend Section 44218 44210 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1451, as amended, Ammiano. Teacher credentialing.

Existing law establishes the Commission on Teacher-credentialing and requires the commission, among other things, to review and approve applications for and issue teaching and services credentials Credentialing that consists of 15 voting members, 14 of whom are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Existing law requires the commission to elect its own chairman from among its members establishes the terms for members of the commission, and specifies that the terms of appointed members expire on November 20 of the year of expiration of the applicable terms.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions instead specify that the terms for those members expires on December 1 of the year of expiration of the applicable term.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:* 

1 SECTION 1. Section 44210 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:

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44210. (a) There is hereby established in the state government the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, to consist of 15 voting members, 14 of whom shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, as specified in paragraphs (2) to (7), inclusive. The commission shall consist of the following members:

- (1) The Superintendent or his or her designee.
- (2) Six practicing teachers from public elementary and secondary schools in California.
- (3) One person who is employed on the basis of a services credential other than an administrative services credential.
  - (4) One member of a school district governing board.
- (5) Four representatives of the public. None of these persons shall have been employed by an elementary or secondary school district in a position requiring certification, or shall have served as a school district governing board member in the five-year period immediately prior to his or her appointment to the commission.
- (6) One school administrator in a public elementary or secondary school in California.
- (7) One faculty member from a college or university that grants baccalaureate degrees.
- (b) With the exception of the four representatives of the public and the Superintendent, the appointment of a member shall terminate if he or she is no longer a practicing teacher in a public elementary or secondary school, a person who is employed on the basis of a valid services credential, a school administrator, a faculty member of a college or university that grants baccalaureate degrees, or a school district governing board member, as may be the case, in California.
- (c) Not more than one member of the commission is to be appointed from the same school district or college or university campus.
- (d) The term of each member appointed to the commission on or prior to June 30, 1989, shall expire on July 1, 1989. It is the intent of the Legislature that as of July 1, 1989, the Governor first appoint to the commission, as feasible, members of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing whose terms, notwithstanding this section, would not have expired, to facilitate the transition to a commission with a reduced membership. Commencing July 1, 1989, four members shall be appointed to

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the commission for terms of two years, five members for terms of
 three years, and five members for terms of four years.

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- (e) Each appointment pursuant to this section shall expire on November 20 December 1 of the year of expiration of the applicable term. All appointments made pursuant to this section are subject to Section 44213.
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 44218 of the Education Code is amended 8 to read:
- 44218. The commission, by majority vote of all of its members,
  shall elect its own chairman from among its members.